



May 20, 2026

TO: Members of the Educational Evaluation
Committee
Town Clerk

**Educational Evaluation
Committee Meeting Tuesday,
May 19, 2026 5:15 p.m.
Superintendent's Large Conference Room**

Board Members Present: Timothy Shanahan - Chair, Donna Funk, and Erika Striebel. Absent - Angela Sherbanee. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Dianne Vumback, Leonard J. Tyl Middle School Principal Greg Gwudz, Science Teacher Tyler Keith

1. Call to order by Timothy Shanahan, Chair-5:15 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discussion of New Course Proposal – STEM

Principal Gwudz and Science teacher Tyler Keith presented the opportunity to engage in a new STEM course in partnership with Electric Boat.

Course Description: This course begins with a brief timeline of EB and the Sub Base before introducing students to the core, nonmilitary employment opportunities at the facilities. Students will learn about the real-life applications of welders, electricians, machinists, shipfitters, pipefitters, and sheet metal fabricators before learning the basics of those jobs. Then they will apply basic skills and practices of these careers to building a remotely operated “sea perch” robot for one trimester. The trimester concludes with a series of obstacle courses and maneuvering tasks students are to fulfil using the robots at the pool at UConn Avery Point.

Number of students served: Two groups of around 20 students

Text/Other Resources: No additional text or resources required

Start-Up Materials Cost: At Electric Boat's Expense

Annual Materials Cost: Minimal

Motion to approve the STEM course and send it to the full Board

Proposed by: Donna Funk

Seconded by: Erika Striebel

Vote: **Carried:** (vote 3 - 0)

6. Future agenda items

None at this time.

7. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: 5: 36p.m.

Proposed by: Donna Funk

Seconded by: Erika Striebel

Vote: **Carried:** (vote 3 - 0)

Information Items: Next meeting October 20, 2026